

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-3 (Canceled)

4. (New) A golf club head comprising:

a head main body having a peripheral front edge part;

a face plate having an outer surface for striking a golf ball, an inner surface facing said head main body, and a peripheral edge part about a periphery of said inner surface;

a plurality of elastic wire rods arranged in parallel with one another along said inner surface of said face plate;

wherein each of said elastic wire rods has two opposite ends fixed to opposite sides of one of said peripheral front edge part of said head main body and said peripheral edge part of said face plate, such that said elastic wire rods extend in contact with said inner surface of said face plate or with a small space formed between said inner surface of said face plate and said elastic wire rods; and

wherein said elastic wire rods are fixed to only said one of said peripheral front edge part of said head main body and said peripheral edge part of said face plate, such that said elastic wire rods are otherwise movable independently of said head main body and said face plate.

5. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein

said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixed to said peripheral front edge part of said head main body.

6. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein

said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixed to said peripheral front edge part of said head main body; and

grooves are formed in said peripheral front edge part of said head main body, and said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixed in said grooves.

7. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein
said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixed to said peripheral edge part of said
face plate.

8. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein
said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixed to said peripheral edge part of said
face plate; and
grooves are formed in said peripheral edge part of said face plate, and said opposite ends
of said elastic wire rods are fixed in said grooves.

9. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein
said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are fixedly adhered or welded to said one of
said peripheral front edge part of said head main body and said peripheral edge part of said face
plate.

10. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein
said opposite ends of said elastic wire rods are respectively provided with knurled parts.

11. (New) A golf club head according to claim 4, wherein
said elastic wire rods comprise steel wire rods, carbon wire rods or boron wire rods.